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immigrants. July 12, provisional flag steamship *Tomas Brooks*, from Kingston, Jamaica, with 17 immigrants.

Respectfully,

R. H. VON EZDORF,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

ENGLAND.

Report from London—Plague at Cape Town and other places.

LONDON, ENGLAND, *July 20, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended Saturday, July 13, the death rate of the city of London was 14.2 per 1,000. There were no deaths from any quarantinable disease, but on the preceding Saturday there were 12 cases of smallpox and 1 of typhus fever under treatment in the hospitals. For the same period there was 1 death from smallpox in Glasgow and 1 also in Liverpool.

The report of plague from Cape Colony continues encouraging. Up to July 6 there had been a total of 727 cases with 330 deaths in Cape Town; in Port Elizabeth 20 cases and 9 deaths, and in all other ports of the colony 10 cases and 2 deaths.

In Mauritius, for the week ended July 11, there were 2 fatal cases of plague.

For the week ended July 7, there were in Egypt 14 cases of plague and 7 deaths. Of these, 9 cases and 6 deaths occurred at Zagazig, 3 cases and 1 death at Alexandria, and 2 cases at Port Said.

In Hongkong, for the week ended July 13, there were 26 cases and 21 deaths from plague, showing a great reduction in the number of cases.

Respectfully,

A. R. THOMAS,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Report from Liverpool.

LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND, *July 23, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the usual report for the week ended July 20, 1901. During the week I inspected 750 passengers for Canadian ports. I advised the rejection of 8 for favus, 2 for trachoma, and 1 for Pott's disease.

Respectfully,

JOHN F. ANDERSON,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

GERMANY.

On the diagnostic and therapeutic value of tuberculin.

[By Prof. ROBERT KOCH—Read at the British Tuberculosis Congress, London, July 23, 1901.]

When in the year 1890 I made my first exact communications regarding tuberculin, I was able to point to two important properties of this